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- Mosque in Henrico vandalized during Ramadan, Muslim faithful speak out against 'expressions of hatred'
- Man charged after making anti-Semitic threats against east Columbus Jewish school (OH)
- Chesapeake Beach man arrested for North Beach Church burglary (MD)
- Man charged with vandalism, hate crime for defacing Westminster mosque (CA)
- Convicted felon claims to be volunteer, steals woman's car from East Nashville church (TN)
- Maintenance worker at mosque likely killed with shovel, Seminole sheriff says (FL)
- Man allegedly egged businesses, church, made bomb threats (KY)
- Cristo Rey Catholic Church vandalized in East Austin, suspect arrested (TX)

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